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- By 20 February rumors were current in Manchuria that LIU Po-cheeng, commanding officer of the Chinese Communist 2 Field Army, had been appointed commander of the Northeast Military District.
- The 2 Army Group of the 1 Field Army and the 5 Army Group of the 4 Field Army\* were moved on 1 March from Changchun and Mukden to Kwangtung.\*\* The 5 Army Group is to go to fukien to reinforce the 3 Field Army for the invasion of Taiwan.
- 3. The Northeast Government has announced an austerity program, based on the practice of five people eating food allotted for three. This program was enforced on the army in February.
- The authorities of the Mukden municipal government have been allotted 300 billion\*\*\* shares of Victory Bonds to be disposed of during March. 25X1A

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Comment. The 5 Army Group is usually listed as part of the 2 Field Army.

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Comment. gives details of the disposition of Chinese Communist forces in Manchuria.

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Comment. This number seems grossly exaggerated and might well be 300 million.

